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## Coordinator named

**K**athryn L. Radgens has been named Community Education Coordinator for the Farmington Area Advisory Council's Substance Abuse Programs.

Radgens' responsibilities will include continued development of FAAC's community education programs. She will be available for educational presentations or substance abuse-related topics and will serve as agency liaison with other professionals throughout the community.

She earned a bachelor's degree in public health education at Central Michigan University, and her master's degree in guidance and counseling from Eastern Michigan University. She is a licensed professional counselor.

Radgens has eight years of experience in public school system and community agency settings. She has a background in working with adolescents and parents of drug dependent children.

FAAC has been in the community for 24 years. The group specializes in substance abuse prevention, education and treatment.

Traditional and intensive outpatient programs are offered.

Offices are at 23450 Middlebelt Road and at 23332 Orchard Lake Road, both in Farmington Hills. For more information about FAAC, call 477-6767.

## How to make changes

**J**une Kinney, corporate trainer for Goren & Associates, will speak on "So You Want To Make A Change?" at a breakfast meeting sponsored by the Farmington/Farmington Hills Chamber of Commerce at 7:30 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 9, at Lox, Stock & Barrel Restaurant, 35572 Grant River, the Muirwood Shopping Center.

Her talk concerns the role of leadership in adapting to and instituting change. Cost is \$10. Call the chamber at 474-3440 for a reservation or more information.



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Serves them right: Anita's Kitchen waitress Georgette Maamari serves Ann Arbor residents Monica Sircar and Bill Hemmings. They said the local shopping center offers good savings and variety compared to Ann Arbor's Briarwood Mall.

## Redesigned malls bag customers



They're not brand new, but several shopping malls in the northern end of Farmington Hills are doing much better since they were redesigned.

BY BILL COUTANT  
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Don't look now, but the shoppers are back.

Among the area's hottest shopping malls now, Hunter's Square and Orchard Plaza were having trouble

keeping tenants only two years ago. Opinions vary on why the malls are doing so well, but there's no doubt they are drawing customers.

"I think the people with disposable income have always been there," said Farmington Hills city planner Ed Gardner. "It's just been

under serviced."

In part, the shopping area, formerly Tally Hall, had suffered because of its design, said developer Andy Shaw.

"In 1990, there was a significant loss of tenants," said Shaw, who worked on the redesign that enclosed the mall. "We'd walk to lunch and see space available signs all the time. That made me start thinking that it could be changed."

Shaw, who is now working on a redesign for the Winchester Mall in Rochester Hills, said a national trend away from small, boutique

malls to enclosed malls caught up with the location at Orchard Lake and 14 Mile.

But shoppers were still willing to shop at a smaller mall if it had the right mix of stores and if it were enclosed.

The strategy has paid off. In addition, improvements to the property, such as a drive connecting Hunter's Square and Orchard Plaza, have attracted shoppers.

But some retailers say it doesn't

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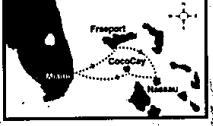


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